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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
	:	Examiner: M. Botts
HIROSHI TANIOKA)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2176
Application No.: 10/697,983)	
	:	Confirmation No.: 8959
Filed: October 31, 2003)	
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For: IMAGE PROCESSING)	
APPARATUS, IMAGE	:	
PROCESSING METHOD AND)	
STORAGE MEDIUM	:	February 6, 2007

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT
AND
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Prior to further examination, please amend the above-identified application
as follows: